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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action (the "OA") dated July 27, 2007, for which a response is due on October 27, 2007. This response is filed within two months of the issuance of the final OA and therefore qualifies for expedited review. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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